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VIA ECF AND HAND DELIVERY

The Honorable Alvin K. Hellerstein
United States District Court
Southern District of New York
500 Pearl Street
New York, New York 10017

Re: Marshal Rosenberg v. Metropolis Group, Inc. et al.,
Case No. 1:18-CV-04830 (AKH) – Recent Developments

Dear Judge Hellerstein:

We represent plaintiff Marshal Rosenberg ("Plaintiff" or "Rosenberg") in the above-captioned proceeding. We write to update the Court regarding two recent developments: (i) a lawsuit filed last week by third-party A&N Design Studio, Inc. d/b/a DOOR3 Business Applications ("Door3"), and (ii) to make of record defendant Metropolis Group, Inc.'s ("Metropolis") failure to comply with the Court's November 30, 2018 order to produce its agreement with Door3.

I. Door3's Action Against Rosenberg

At our status conference on November 30, 2018, Your Honor ordered Rosenberg to amend his complaint to name Door3 as an additional defendant by Friday, December 14, 2018. Four days later, aware Rosenberg would soon make it a defendant in this lawsuit, Door3 filed a bare-bones complaint against Rosenberg asking for declaratory judgments regarding issues to be decided in this action – namely, ownership of the software at issue and infringement – and additionally alleging tortious interference. *See A&N Design Studio d/b/a/ DOOR3 Business Applications v. Marshal Rosenberg*, Case No. 1:18-cv-11291, ECF Docket No. 1.¹ Rosenberg was made aware of Door3's lawsuit only yesterday. We wanted to bring this filing to the Court's attention immediately. In accordance with Your Honor's order, Mr. Rosenberg will, of course, timely amend to add Door3 as a defendant, and will take action, as necessary, against Door3's complaint at the appropriate time.

¹ As is clear on the face of Door3's complaint and the exhibits attached thereto, Door3 created the replacement program as a work for hire for Metropolis. That Door3 attached a copyright registration naming it as the owner of the replacement program suggests that Door3 has committed a fraud on the Copyright Office and the Court.



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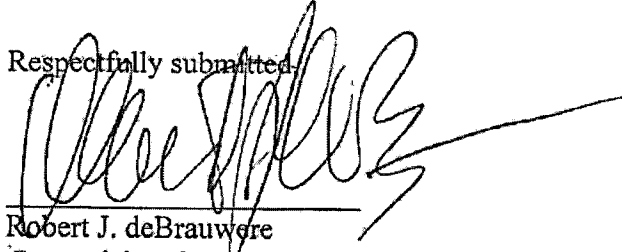
II. Metropolis's Non-Compliance

At the November 30th status conference, the Court further ordered Metropolis to produce its agreement with Door3 pursuant to which the infringing replacement program was created (the "Agreement"). After delaying for six days, counsel for Metropolis made a production of just part of the documents constituting the Agreement.² The documents produced clearly indicate that Door3 developed a "roadmap" document for the development of the replacement software, but the roadmap was not produced, nor was any document setting forth the requirements for the software to be built.

Metropolis has impeded our attempts to resolve the dispute over its inadequate production. In correspondence, it has adopted an overly narrow view of the Court's order, contending that the roadmap and development documents are not part of what "constituted the contract" between Metropolis and Door3. In an email yesterday, it added gratuitously that it "cannot confirm at this time whether or not documents [Rosenberg is seeking] exist or not" and recommended that Rosenberg instead seek such documents from Door3, in the lawsuit Door3 just brought against Rosenberg.

This latest conduct by Metropolis is yet another example of its and Door3's (likely coordinated) stonewalling, bullying, and deceptive tactics. It is imperative that, pursuant to Your Honor's Order, Metropolis provide the remaining documents from the Agreement, including the actual roadmap and product requirements (including user stories) to understand what Metropolis asked Door3 to build and what Door3 promised to deliver, the absence of which makes it much more difficult to properly articulate Mr. Rosenberg's claims against Door3.

Respectfully submitted,



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² The Agreement itself provides that "[t]he SOWs, together with any schedules, appendices and other attachments thereto or other agreements (including this Agreement) which are specifically incorporated therein . . . shall constitute the entire agreement."



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December 12, 2018

VIA ECF and BY HAND

The Honorable Alvin K. Hellerstein
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Southern District of New York
500 Pearl Street, Courtroom 14D
New York, New York 10017

Re: *Rosenberg v. Metropolis Group, Inc.*
18-cv-4830 (AKH)

Dear Judge Hellerstein:

We represent Defendant Metropolis Group, Inc. ("Metropolis") in the above-captioned action. I write in response to Plaintiff's counsel Robert J. deBrauwer's December 11, 2018 letter to the Court. Contrary to Mr. deBrauwer's assertion, Metropolis has fully and timely complied with the Court's November 30, 2018 Order to produce the Agreement between Metropolis and Door3 (Metropolis's new software vendor) for the development of a new software program to replace Plaintiff's outdated software. Metropolis has also complied with its commitment at the November 30 conference to provide Door3's correct legal name so that Mr. deBrauwer could prepare an amended complaint joining it.

- On Monday, December 3, we emailed Mr. deBrauwer Door3's correct legal name.
- Because the Agreement contains a confidentiality provision, on Tuesday, December 4 we notified Door3's counsel Raymond J. Dowd by email of the Court's Order, and advised him that we would produce the Agreement on Thursday, December 6 to afford him an opportunity to apply to the Court for a protective order or other relief if he saw fit.
- Also on December 4, we advised Mr. deBrauwer that we would produce the Agreement on Thursday, December 6. He raised no objection to that timing.



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- On Thursday, December 6, as promised, we produced what we understand to be the Agreement and its associated documents, totaling 48 pages, to Mr. deBrauwere.

Plaintiff thus has more than enough information to amend its Complaint to name Door3 as a defendant. In addition, Door3 has now commenced a declaratory judgment action against Plaintiff, as Mr. deBrauwere's letter notes. Metropolis does not believe that the other information that Plaintiff is requesting constitutes the Agreement, but rather constitutes additional information about the development of the Door3 software. To that end, we respectfully submit that such information should be either sought in discovery or sought from Door3, which is in a much better position to address software issues than Metropolis, a building expeditor.

Respectfully submitted,

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